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Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

**LENS, OPTICAL PICKUP DEVICE, AND METHOD FOR DETECTING LENS INCLINATION**

and invented by:

**IKUO NAKANO**JC869 U.S. PTO  
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**Application Elements**

1.  Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2.  Specification having 57 pages and including the following:
  - a.  Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - b.  Cross References to Related Applications (*if applicable*)
  - c.  Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (*if applicable*)
  - d.  Reference to Microfiche Appendix (*if applicable*)
  - e.  Background of the Invention
  - f.  Brief Summary of the Invention
  - g.  Brief Description of the Drawings (*if drawings filed*)
  - h.  Detailed Description
  - i.  Claim(s) as Classified Below
  - j.  Abstract of the Disclosure

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3.  Drawing(s) (*when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113*)
  - a.  Formal Number of Sheets 16
  - b.  Informal Number of Sheets \_\_\_\_\_
4.  Oath or Declaration
  - a.  Newly executed (*original or copy*)  Unexecuted
  - b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (*for continuation/divisional application only*)
  - c.  With Power of Attorney  Without Power of Attorney
  - d.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5.  Incorporation By Reference (*usable if Box 4b is checked*)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6.  Computer Program in Microfiche (*Appendix*)
7.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (*if applicable, all must be included*)
  - a.  Paper Copy
  - b.  Computer Readable Copy (*identical to computer copy*)
  - c.  Statement Verifying Identical Paper and Computer Readable Copy

**Accompanying Application Parts**

8.  Assignment Papers (*cover sheet & document(s)*)
9.  37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
10.  English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
11.  Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
12.  Preliminary Amendment
13.  Acknowledgment postcard
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15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)

Certified Copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 11-205194, Filed 7/19/99

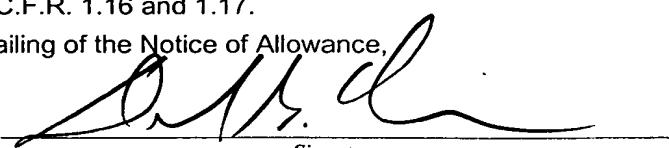
16.  Additional Enclosures (*please identify below*):

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**CLAIMS AS FILED**

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